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C O N F I D E N T I A L USNATO 05051

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: MPOL, NATO, DPC  
SUBJECT: DPC MINISTERIAL MEETING, MAY 18, 1978:  
AGENDA ITEM V B, (INTEROPERABILITY OF TACTICAL AREA  
COMMUNICATIONS)

REF: C-M(78)37(REVISED)

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LUNS INTRODUCED THIS ITEM BY MENTIONING SECRETARY BROWN'S  
INTERVENTION AT THE SPRING 1977 DPC MINISTERIAL AND  
SUMMARIZING EVENTS LEADING TO THE REPORT (REF) BEFORE THE  
DEFENSE MINISTERS. HE REFERRED TO POINTS MADE BY AMBASSA-  
DOR BENNETT WHEN THE NAC PERM REPS CONSIDERED THE REPORT;  
I.E., US DISAPPOINTMENT AT THE OUTCOME AND US URGING THAT  
ALLIES RECONSIDER PROGRAM SCHEDULES, MAKING EVERY FEASIBLE  
EFFORT TO GIVE PRIORITY TO INSTALLATION OF AUTOMATIC DIGI-  
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TAL SYSTEMS AND PROVISION OF INTERFACE DEVICES. LUNS ALSO  
REFERRED TO THE TACTICAL TRUNK PROGRAM IN THE LTDP, POINT-  
ING OUT THAT IT CALLS FOR ALL ALLIES TO FIELD AUTOMATIC  
DIGITAL SYSTEMS BY 1985. HE SAID THAT THIS REQUIREMENT IS  
MORE STRINGENT THAN THAT POSED BY THE REFERENCED REPORT  
AND IS MORE IN LINE WITH THE US DESIRES. HE ASKED DEFENSE  
MINISTERS TO NOTE THE CNAD REPORT (AT REFERENCE) AND THE

EARLIER NAC ACTION ON IT AND TO AGREE THAT THIS REPORT  
SHOULD BE TAKEN IN ACCOUNT IN FOLLOW-THROUGH ACTION ON THE  
LTDP. THE MINISTERS AGREED TO THE PROPOSED ACTIONS WITH-  
OUT COMMENT. BENNETT

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